BLYTHE CITY COUNCIL AND BLYTHE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY



AGENDA MARCH 13, 2007

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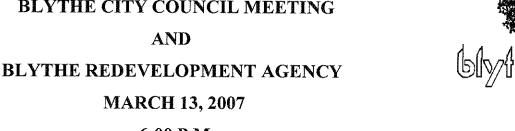
Robert Crain, Mayor Charles Grotke, Vice Mayor Alfonso Hernandez, Councilman Joseph DeConinck, Councilman Beverly Mays, Councilwoman Les Nelson, City Manager Virginia Rivera, City Clerk

MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 235 NORTH BROADWAY, BLYTHE, CALIFORNIA

AGENDA

BLYTHE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6:00 P.M.



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	by Invitation	
INVOCATION: by Invitation	·	
ROLL CALL:		
Mayor Robert CrainVice Mayor Charles GrotkeCouncilman HernandezCouncilman DeConinck	City Attorney Zundel City Manager Nelson Asst. City Mgr. Hull Treasurer Martin	Public Works Dir. Rodkey Planning Director Wellman Acting City Engineer Aaby Golf Course Supt. Lanphere
Councilwoman Mays City Clerk Rivera	Finance Dir. Colbert Police Chief Whitney	Fire Chief Kem

CERMONIAL:

Recognition of Former Planning Commissioner Dale Reynolds

CONSENT CALENDAR

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Crain

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- Posting of the Agenda: The summary of agenda items was posted on the bulletin boards on 1. the outside of the public entrance to the Council Chamber and near the inside entrance of the Council Chamber on Friday, March 9, 2007.
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2007.
- Approval of Warrant Register, 03/13/07, warrants numbered 44385 thru 44489 in the 3. amount of \$623,846.16.
- 4. Approval of Payroll Register 03/02/07, warrants numbered 38449 thru 38496 and Direct Deposits in the amount of \$406,214.07; 03/05/07, warrants numbered 38497 thru 38510 and Direct Deposits in the amount of \$30,877.56
- 5. Adoption of Resolution No. 07-696, City Manager Administrative Authority. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLYTHE ESTABLISHING THE CITY MANAGER'S FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY AT \$15,000
- Approval of Request No. 18 from RDA Revolving Fund Account. 6.
- Development Services Department Building Permits Issued for February 2007. 7.
 - Staff Report
 - Public Comment b.
 - Recommend Approval of Consent Calendar c.

ORDINANCES:

- 1. Ordinance No. 820-07, Amending Section 10.04.250 of the Blythe Municipal Code
 - Staff Report a.
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Recommend First Reading of Ordinance No. 820-07 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLYTHE AMENDING SECTION 10.04.250 OF THE **BLYTHE MUNICIPAL CODE**

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. Resolution No. 07-697, Employer's Contribution under Public Employees' Medical & Hospital Care Act
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Recommend Adoption of Resolution No. 07-697

 A RESOLUTION FIXING THE EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTION UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE'S MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Request for Authorization to Negotiate for Preparation of Quechan Marina Master Plan
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Recommend Council Authorize Staff to Negotiate with USR and HMCG to Reduce the Overall Project Costs
- 2. Desert Storm (Off Road) Rally
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Recommend Councilmember's Indicate Interest in Participating in this Event

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. The Potter's House, Request for Community Center Donation Fees
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Recommend Council Donate Fees for One Day of Activities
- 2. Recruitment of Candidates for 2007-08 Riverside County Grand Jury
 - a. Correspondence
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Receive and File

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

- 1. Approval of Minutes, February 13, 2007 Meeting
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Recommend Approval
- 2. Adjourn

REPORTS:

- 1. City Manager's Report
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Receive and File

ORAL REPORTS:

1. Oral Reports from Council and Staff

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public may address Council on items not covered in the Agenda. Speakers are asked to identify themselves and give their address. Speakers are asked to limit their remarks to 3 minutes in duration.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 1. Real Estate Negotiations, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, 3 Cases: Palo Verde College, 145 N. Spring Street; Blythe Airport; County Fire Station No. 43.
- **2. Pending Litigation,** pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, Blythe Citizens for Smart Growth and MEMOS vs. City of Blythe.

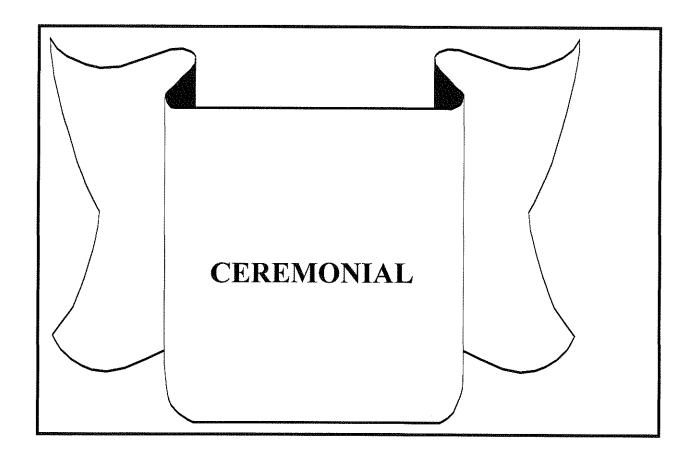
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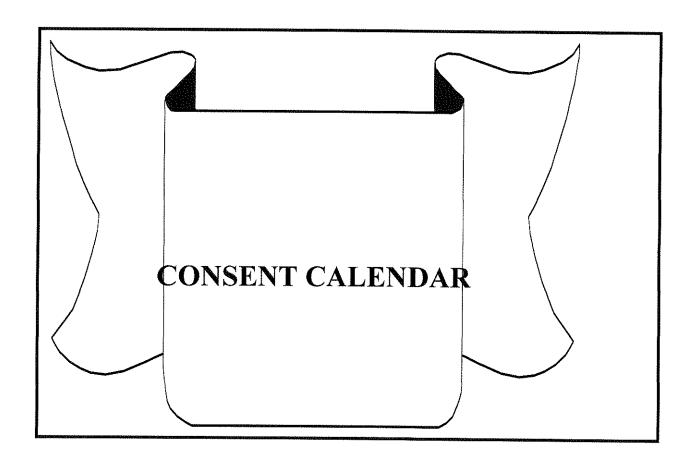
The Agenda is now available on the City's Website at http://www.cityofblythe.ca.gov

NOTE TO THE PUBLIC:



IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT VIRGINIA RIVERA, CITY CLERK AT (760) 922-6161 EXT. 237. NOTIFICATION 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING WILL ENABLE THE CITY TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING (28 CFR 35.104 ADA TITLE II)





MINUTES FEBRUARY 13, 2007 BLYTHE CITY COUNCIL

The February 13, 2007 regular meeting of the Blythe City Council was called to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber by Mayor Crain. Also in attendance were Vice Mayor Grotke, Councilmembers DeConinck, Hernandez and Mays. Staff attendance included: City Manager Nelson, Asst. City Manager Hull, City Clerk Rivera, Finance Director Colbert, Police Chief Whitney, Public Works Director Rodkey and Planning Director Wellman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor Grotke and the Invocation was offered by Councilwoman Mays.

ORAL REPORTS:

Chief of Police Whitney introduced and commended Sgt. Jeff Wade, Supervisor of Investigations and Josh Coe, Corporal Detective for their efforts in solving the murder case of local 15year old resident.

Consent Calendar

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- 1. Posting of the Agenda: The summary of agenda items was posted on the bulletin boards on the outside of the public entrance to the Council Chamber and near the inside entrance of the Council Chamber on Friday, February 9, 2007.
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of December 12, 2006 and Special Meeting of December 19, 2006.
- 3. Approval of Warrant Register, 02/13/07, warrants numbered 44069 thru 44089 in the amount of \$907,140.05.
- 4. Approval of Payroll Register 02/14/07, warrants numbered 38334 in the amount of \$814.61; 02/02/07, warrants number 38355 thru 38382 and Direct Deposits in the amount of \$394,117.79; 02/05/07, warrants number 38383 thru 38399 and Direct Deposits in the amount of \$27,528.33.
- 5. Development Services Department Building Permits Issued for January 2007.

No public comment. Councilman Hernandez moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Seconded by Councilman DeConinck. Unanimous Aye Vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

GFB FRIEDRICH & ASSOCIATES, INC. Professional Services Agreement for Lighting District No. 1 & No. 2 for FY2007-2008. Planning Director Wellman reported that GFB Friedrich & Associates has provided Assessment Engineering Services for the City of Blythe for over five years. The principal of the firm, John Friedrich, is completely familiar with the details of both lighting districts and is able to provide the required services at a cost that reflects his experience with the City. Maps, reports and assessment formulas previously developed by GFB Friedrich for updating of the Lighting Districts will be used and added to as necessary and appropriate. No public comment.

Vice Mayor Grotke moved to authorize the Mayor to execute the Professional Services Agreement for the updating of Lighting District No. 1 and No. 2 for FY 2006-07 in an amount not to exceed \$24,750; which includes detachment from LD1 and annexation into LD2 of approximately 506 residential parcels and the future assisted living facility on Intake and Chanslorway. Seconded by Councilman Hernandez. Unanimous Aye vote.

LETTER OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, Hidden Beaches River Resort, LLC. Planning Director Wellman reported that Hidden Beaches River Resort, LLC, is applying to ABC to upgrade their sales of alcohol license to Type 21 off-sale (beer, wine and distilled spirits) alcohol beverage license to replace their current Type 20 (beer and wine) license for Hidden Beaches, 6951 Sixth Avenue, Blythe. In order to receive the license the applicants must obtain a letter of Public Convenience and Necessity from the City. Staff is recommending that the City Council approve a letter supporting the issuance of a Type 21 off-sale Alcoholic Beverage license to Hidden Beaches, 6951 Sixth Street. Public comment: Richard Williams, Manager of the park is in the audience to answer questions.

Councilman DeConinck moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter supporting the issuance of an off-sale (Type 21) Alcoholic Beverage License within Census Tract No. 460 to Hidden Beaches River Resort, LLC., 6951 Sixth Avenue, Blythe, with the full knowledge of the undue concentration provision as outlined by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC). Seconded By Councilman Hernandez. Unanimous Aye vote

WRITTEN COMMUNICATINS:

BLYTHE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, Spring Street Festival/Street Closure. City Manager Nelson reported that the City of Blythe received correspondence from Blythe Area Chamber of Commerce requesting 1.) the closure of Spring Street between Hobsonway to Murphy on March 3, 2007 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the Annual Spring Street Festival; 2.) That the proof of insurance be provided prior to the event. No public comment.

Councilwoman Mays moved to authorize the Street Closure and Chamber to provide proof of Insurance prior to the event. Seconded by Vice Mayor Grotke. Unanimous Aye vote.

NPG CABLE, INC. Changes and Monthly Rate Increase. City Manager Nelson received correspondence from NPG Cable, Inc., noting changes with NPG Cable, Inc. No public comment. Received and file.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL. City Manager received correspondence from Soroptimist International of Blythe thanking Council for their support and appreciation for the use of the Community Center for their Girls Secrets program. No public comment. Received and filed

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

The Council meeting was recessed and the Council went into the Redevelopment Agency meeting.

FINANCING AUTHORITY:

The Board meeting was recessed and the Authority went into the Financing Authority meeting.

REPORTS:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. On several prior occasions, City Manager Nelson reported that the City of Blythe, Riverside County and Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency are jointly working together towards the construction of a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueling station in Blythe. With a budget of about \$595,000 in mostly grant money, at this point it is envisioned that the CNG facility will be sited at Miller Park. Starting with the site evaluation process through development of project bid specifications (including facility lay-out and vendor cost estimates) staff will be working with the consultant firm of Gladstein, Neandross & Associates (GNA) at no cost through our association with the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD). Staff is also working with Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) staff looking to identify additional grant money if the \$595,000 is inadequate to fund at least the start-up phase of the project.

Staff has reprogrammed \$25,000 in CDBG money to pay for work and repairs necessary at the Blythe Recreation Center. Work already authorized includes Johnson Electric removing and replacing the very old fluorescent light fixtures, air conditioning work and certification of the fire sprinkler system. Staff anticipates spending about \$19,000 almost immediately of which \$10,125 was for replacement of the fluorescent light fixtures. This exceeds the City Manager's administrative authority by \$125, but was deemed necessary because of a potential safety concern. As part of the Minutes, Council should Receive and File this report with the notation (for subsequent audit) that Council ratified the \$10,125 expenditure authorized by the City Manager with Johnson Electric. Note: Mayor Crain directed that the expenditure be submitted at the next meeting.

Reminder that the 50th Annual Community Outlook Conference is Thursday, March 1, 2007, with the Conference luncheon scheduled to start at 12:00 noon. The keynote speaker will be Mr. Michael Dolence of Michael Dolence & Associates, and his presentation will be "Economic Development in the Palo Verde Valley". Reservations need to be made through the City Clerk before February 23rd. Members of the City Council will be asked tonight if they are planning to attend the conference.

Miscellaneous . . . work on the Balszburg Project is progressing well and staff is still hoping to have the construction done by the end of March . . . green fee revenue at the Golf Course for November, December and January is the highest ever per month for those months, with November (at \$100,260) the first time ever any month has exceeded the \$100,000 per month figure . . . the City's RDA has been reimbursed the \$195,000 from the State's Proposition 12 Park Grant fund, monies that were expended on Quechan Marina . . . City Manager will be out of the office on February 16th attending the CVAG City Managers meeting . . . City Hail will be closed Monday, February 19th in observance of President's Day.

ORAL REPORTS:

ORAL REPORTS FROM COUNCIL AND STAFF. City Manager gave a brief report on the dog races held at Quechan Park on February 23rd, 24th and 25th... Mr. Nelson thanked Planning Director Wellman for attending the Caltrans meeting in San Bernardino regarding the Wal-Mart access, indicating that Caltrans would approve the left access into Wal-Mart off Intake Blvd., but not the left-out egress onto Intake Blvd.

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Vice Mayor Grotke thanked Councilman DeConinc Production Plant, and also briefly reported that after the Dog	ck for his part in the Hobo Rally tour to the Viraces at Quechan Park the park was left spotte
PUBLIC COMMENT: None	
ADJOURN: The Council adjourned at 7:10 p.m.	
ATTEST:	Robert A. Crain, Mayor
Virginia Rivera, City Clerk	
(SEAL)	

RESOLUTION NO. 07-696

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLYTHE ESTABLISHING THE CITY MANAGER'S FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY AT \$15,000

WHEREAS, at various times the City Manager must promptly make decisions involving the expenditure of funds that may or may not be Health and Safety related; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has recognized this eventuality and established a policy whereby the City Manager's Financial Administrative Authority was set at \$10,000, a sum that has not been adjusted for at least 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to amend it policy relating to the City Manager's Financial Administrative Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Blythe that:

- 1. It shall be the policy of the City Council of the City of Blythe that the City Manager's Financial Administrative Authority shall be revised and set at the sum of \$15,000.
- 2. Further, it is resolved that the City Council will implement the revised policy limit of \$15,000 effective immediately following adoption of Resolution No. 07-696,
- 3. That this Resolution No. 07-696 establishing the City Manager's Financial Administrative Authority at \$15,000 shall supercede any prior policy that had established the sum at any lesser amount.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of March 2007, by the following role call vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT:	
	Robert A. Crain, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Virginia Rivera, City Clerk	
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(SEAL)

BLYTHE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

TO: Chairman and Members of the Board

FROM: Helen Colbert, Director of Finance

DATE: March 13, 2007

SUBJECT: Request No. 18 From RDA Revolving Fund Account

BACKGROUND

The RDA Revolving Fund Account was designated to be used for temporary cash-flow loans to the City for those projects or expenditures in which the City must front the money and then request reimbursement from the funding agency.

Attached for review and approval is the eighteenth (18) request of funds from the RDA Revolving Fund Account. Attachment 1 is the actual request from the City for those funds which are to be reimbursed from other sources. Attachment 2 is the documentation for expenditures on the Water Treatment Facility. The source of repayment is the SFR Loan/Grant from the State of California.

The current available balance in the RDA Revolving Fund Account is \$1,324,249. The amount of outstanding claims which are yet to be reimbursed is \$925,751.

Pursuant to the Guidelines of the RDA Revolving Fund Account, procedurally this request should first go before the Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee, but due to the City's current cash flow, scheduling conflicts, and payments that need to be made within the next few days, the request is being submitted directly to the Agency Board.

The total amount being requested at this time is \$313,150. This amount will be repaid to the Redevelopment Agency as soon as the State SRF funds and the Commercial Paper funds are received and it will be repaid at half the current LAIF interest rate or 2.59%.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the RDA Board of Directors authorize the loan request from the RDA Revolving Fund Account for the City in the amount of \$313,150, towards the Water Production Plant, with said amount to be repaid from the City's SRF Contract.

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen Colbert

Director of Finance

CONCUR:

CITY OF BLYTHE

REQUEST NO. 18 RDA REVOLVING FUND ACCOUNT

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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES SDW State Revolving Fund

The Resources Agency

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City of Blythe PERMITS ISSUED For the Period 2/1/2007 thru 2/28/2007

Permit No./Issued	Type/Sub-Type/Status	Site Address and Parcel No.	Owner and Contractor	Valuation	Total Fees	Paid
B0701-037 2/5/2007	COM-ADD	933 EAST HOBSON WAY 851054009	WEN & STEPHANY WANG DE ZHI JIANG	3,000.00	548.17	548.17
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2/20/2007	ISSUED	824160014 Permit Name Electrical requires	OWNER s additional permit			
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For the Period 2/1/2007 thru 2/28/2007

Permit No./Issued	Type/Sub-Type/Status	Site Address and Parcel No.	Owner and Contractor	Valuation	Total Fees	Paid
B0701-046 2/5/2007	GARAGE	18490 RIVIERA DRIVE 875280004	DARREL VINDHURST	18,576.00	551.22	551.22
2/3/2007	ISSUED .	Permit Name	OWNER	÷		
B0701-028	МН	203 SOUTH THIRD STREET	MARY V CLARK	75,900.00	2,945.59	2,945.59
2/26/2007	ISSUED	848073032 Permit Name	EAGLE MOBILE HOME CENT			
B0702-028 2/26/2007	МН	9395 EAST HOBSON WAY #99	TOMOMI SAKATANI	6,000.00	784.60	784.60
212012001	ISSUED	854071016 Permit Name	OWNER			
B0702-025 2/20/2007	OTHER	200 EAST HOBSON WAY 848062001	ROMERO & MARIA ANG OWNER	2,500.00	47.00	47.00
212012001	ISSUED	Permit Name CANOPY DEMO				
B0702-019 2/14/2007	OTHER	505 NORTH FOURTH STREET	MELITON SANCHEZ	2,000.00	47.00	47.00
2.1141.2001	ISSUED	842121010 Permit Name	OWNER			
B0702-022 2/21/2007	OTHER	160 SOUTH LOVEKIN BOULEV		2,761.00	47.00	47.00
2121.12001	ISSUED .	848021065 Permit Name ASBESTOS REM	AMERICAN TECHNOLOGIES IOVAL			
B0702-037	PATIO	481 ALAMEDA ROAD	AMERICAP DEV PARTNER	2,808.00	137.86	137.86
2/26/2007	ISSUED	851160004 Permit Name ALUMAWOOD I	PRECISION PATIOS PATIO			
B0701-068	PATIO	196 SHADED PALM	HART & CROSBY	10,816.00	372.74	372.74
2/12/2007 IS	ISSUED	824222001 Permit Name PARTIALLY ENG	OWNER CLOSED			
B0702-038	PATIO	1411 MESQUITE ROAD	AMERICAP DEV PARTNER	5,928.00	207.25	207.25
2/26/2007	ISSUED	851160003 Permit Name ALUMAWOOD F	PRECISION PATIOS PATIO			
B0611-080 2/9/2007	PATIO	951 EAST CHANSLOR WAY	FRANCISCO J TEJEDA	2,717.00	137.86	137.86
2/9/2007	ISSUED	857075008 Permit Name TREE HOUSE	OWNER			
B0701-048	PATIO	4410 ARROWHEAD BOULEVAL		5,304.00	207.19	207.19
2/28/2007	ALUM AWNING ISSUED	821238006 Permit Name ALUM AWNING	A F C & CONCRETE			
B0702-036 2/26/2007	PATIO ·	1520 MESQUITE ROAD	AMERICAP DEV PARTNER	5,928.00	207.25	207.25
2/26/2007	ISSUED	851161010 Permit Name ALUMAWOOD P	PRECISION PATIOS PATIO			
B0702-031	PATIO	4410 ARROWHEAD BOULEVAL		4,992.00	184.06	184.06
2/28/2007	ALUM AWNING ISSUED	821234032 Permit Name ALUM AWNING	A F C & CONCRETE			
B0702-032	PATIO	4410 ARROWHEAD BOULEVAI		3,432.00	160.96	160.96
2/28/2007	ALUM AWNING ISSUED	821231011 Permit Name ALUM AWNING	A F C & CONCRETE		•	
B0701-061	PLUMB	340 EAST CHANSLOR WAY	STEVE & KYRA FORD	0.00	25.00	25.00
2/9/2007	WATER HEATER FINALED	845063020 Permit Name WATER HEATER	DESERT PLUMBING			

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Permit No./Issued	Type/Sub-Type/Status	Site Address and Parcel No.	Owner and Contractor	Valuation	Total Fees	Paid
B0701-063 2/13/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	312 STEWART STREET 845073009 Permit Name WATER HEATE	DOUGLAS & BETTINA MITCE CRECELIUS INC R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0702-033 2/22/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	167 NORTH FIRST STREET 845151011 Permit Name WATER HEATE	AMOS & MARY ELAM NICKEY'S PLUMBING R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0612-029 2/9/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	1030 NORTH LOVEKIN BOULE 839031030 Permit Name WATER HEATE	WAYMEN & CAROLYN DEKE DESERT PLUMBING R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0701-059 2/9/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	12353 DEKENS COURT 821220014 Permit Name WATER HEATE	TROY & GWENDOLYN CRAW DESERT PLUMBING R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0701-060 2/9/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	156 SHADED PALM 824213009 Permit Name WATER HEATE	LINDA FARRIS DESERT PLUMBING R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0701-062 2/13/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER ISSUED	251 NORTH PALM DRIVE #32 845100013 Permit Name WATER HEATE	BLYTHE VILLA APARTME CRECELIUS INC R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0702-013 2/9/2007	PLUMB GAS FINALED	4410 ARROWHEAD BOULEVAL 821233008 Permit Name GAS LINE	DENNIS & BONNIE KEITH OWNER	0.00	49.50	49.50
B0612-056 2/13/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	2219 COOL WATERS 824214005 Permit Name WATER HEATE	JOSE & STELLA HUANTE CRECELIUS INC R	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0702-006 2/7/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	6951 EAST SIXTH AVENUE #23 833330008 Permit Name WATER HEATER	OWNER	0.00	25.00	25.00
B0701-064 2/13/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	300 NORTH PALM DRIVE #20 845030006 Permit Name WATER HEATER	RONALD & LE THI DUC KYLI CRECELIUS INC R	0.00	25.00	25.00
	PLUMB GAS FINALED	4410 ARROWHEAD BOULEVA) 821231002 Permit Name GAS LINE (EXIS	CHARLES & SYLVIA HUNLEY	0.00	49.50	49.50
2/1/2007	PLUMB SEPTIC FINALED	1241 SUNNYSIDE DRIVE 836190003 Permit Name NEW SEPTIC - D	EFREN & ELVIRA ROBINSON CRECELIUS INC DEMO OLD	5,081.00	49.50	49.50
2/13/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER ISSUED	317 NORTH SECOND STREET 845072023 Permit Name WATER HEATEI	ROBERT L OFALLON CRECELIUS INC R	0.00	25.00	25.00
2/13/2007	PLUMB WATER HEATER FINALED	1110 WEST TENTH AVENUE 836190002 Permit Name WATER HEATEI	KENNETH & MARISA KALIAN CRECELIUS INC R	0.00	25.00	25.00
2/13/2007	POOL ISSUED	3969 COVE CIRCLE 833360034 Permit Name	KENNETH G EDMON DESERT-PACIFIC CONTRACT	23,692.50	765.33	765.33

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B0702-002 2/16/2007	POOL	347 SHANNON STREET 842171027	STEPHANI DELAGARZA J P POOL CONSTRUCTION	13,800.00	503.09	503.09
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0702-043	REMOVE-R	9395 EAST HOBSON WAY #97	TOMOMI SAKATANI	0.00	47.00	47.00
2/26/2007	ISSUED	854071016 Permit Name MH FROM PARK	OWNER (
B0701-073 2/2/2007	REMOVE-R	6951 EAST SIXTH AVENUE #54 833330008	HIDDEN BEACHES RIVER OWNER	0.00	47.00	47.00
	FINALED	Permit Name	OWNER			
B0702-008 2/12/2007	REMOVE-R	7850 EAST DONLON STREET 833270014	DAVID & BETTY NOWELL	0.00	47.00	47.00
11,12,12001	FINALED	Permit Name GARAGE ONLY	BURROW CONSTRUCTION			
B0702-023	RERF	153 SOUTH BROADWAY	THOMAS & GLADYS FARRAC	1,000.00	47.00	47.00
2/21/2007	OVER EXIST FINALED	848043012 Permit Name OVER EXISTING	BERRYMAN ROOFING			
B0702-041	RERF	404 NORTH TENTH STREET	POPE FAMILY TRUST	4,780.00	111.75	111.75
2/26/2007	TEAR OFF ISSUED	851031009 Permit Name TEAR OFF	SAINDON ROOFING			
B0702-042	RERF	13010 REEDER ROAD	ARCHULETA FAMILY TRUST	2,000.00	69.75	69.75
2/28/2007	OVER EXIST ISSUED	821210028 Permit Name OVER EXISTING	CARL GOLEMON ROOFING S.			
B0702-015	RES-ADD	10541 NORTH BROADWAY	STEPHEN & TINA GARCIA	13,850.60	455.08	455.08
2/26/2007	ISSUED .	839090002 Permit Name ENCLOSE PATIO	OWNER)			
B0701-032	RES-ADD	710 NORTH EUCALYPTUS AVI		54,352.00	1,251.48	1,251.48
2/28/2007	ISSUED	842042005 Permit Name & GARAGE	OWNER			
B0701-049	RES-ADD	489 NORTH TENTH STREET	ELWIN HERBERT & DIANA H	21,200.00	674.19	674.19
2/13/2007	ISSUED	851032002 Permit Name	OWNER			
	RES-ADD	155 LEE STREET	ANG FAMILY TRUST	49,468.00	1,415.71	1,415:71
2/23/2007	ISSUED	842060018 Permit Name & GARAGE	ROBERT L MEANS GENERAL			
	RES-STOR	710 YUCCA DRIVE	LEONARD & ELLEN RUTLED	3,060.00	160.96	160.96
2/12/2007	ISSUED	842144023 Permit Name STORAGE SHED	OWNER			
	RES-STOR	10850 WEST TENTH AVENUE	LOUISE CARTER	17,280.00	531.29	531.29
2/8/2007 I	ISSUED	839010006 Permit Name	BURROW CONSTRUCTION			
	RIVCOUNTY	14151 BROADWAY STREET	JEAN DUNLAP ET AL	0.00	148.92	148.92
2/26/2007	ISSUED	872273018 Permit Name REMOVE-R	OWNER			
	RIVCOUNTY	5040 COLORADO RIVER ROAE		2,400.00	149.42	149.42
2/20/2007	ISSUED	833082001 Permit Name REROOF GARAG	OWNER FE-TO			

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Permit No./Issued	Type/Sub-Type/Status	Site Address and Parcel No.	Owner and Contractor	Valuation	Total Fees	Paid
B0611-049 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	3968 ACE COURT 821242046 Permit Name	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
B0611-040 2/20/2007	SFR	3967 ACE COURT 821242047	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0611-055 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	2921 FAIRWAY DRIVE 821241006 Permit Name	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
B0611-054 2/20/2007	SFR	2929 FAIRWAY DRIVE 821241005	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0611-053 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	2937 FAIRWAY DRIVE 821241004 Permit Name	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
B0611-052 2/20/2007	SFR	2945 FAIRWAY DRIVE 821241003	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED .	Permit Name				
B0611-051 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	2953 FAIRWAY DRIVE 821241002	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	1330ED	Permit Name				
B0611-044 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	3897 ACE COURT 821242051 Permit Name	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
B0611-050 2/20/2007	SFR	2961 FAIRWAY DRIVE 821241001	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0611-042 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	3933 ACE COURT 821242049 Permit Name	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
B0611-048 2/20/2007	SFR ISSUED	3948 ACE COURT 821242045 Permit Name	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
B0611-047 2/20/2007	SFR	3934 ACE COURT 821242044	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
2,20,2007	ISSUED	Permit Name	Of OT INC			
B0611-046 2/20/2007	SFR	3918 ACE COURT 821242043	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0611-045 2/20/2007	SFR	3898 ACE COURT 821242042	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0611-041 2/20/2007	SFR	3951 ACE COURT 821242048	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				

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For the Period 2/1/2007 thru 2/28/2007

Permit No./Issued	Type/Sub-Type/Status	Site Address and Parcel No.	Owner and Contractor	Valuation	Total Fees	Paid
B0611-043 2/20/2007	SFR	3917 ACE COURT 821242050	MESA BLUFFS DEV CO CTCT INC	65,903.30	6,663.70	1,434.18
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0701-065	SIGN	127 WEST HOBSON WAY	MAYFIELD FAMILY TRUST	0.00	22.00	47.00
2/1/2007		845133022				
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0702-020	SIGN	220 SOUTH LOVEKIN BOULEV	RANDALL & JANICE DUPREE	6,000.00	22.00	47.00
2/27/2007		848031033	OWNER			
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0611-077	SIGN	1224 WEST HOBSON WAY	LINDA & ARTHUR BAYLES	0.00	22.00	47.00
2/12/2007		836121014	FLURESCO LIGHTING-SIGN N			
	ISSUED	Permit Name				
B0702-018	SIGN ·	1457 EAST CHANSLOR WAY	AMERICAP DEV PARTNER	0.00	22.00	47.00
2/27/2007		851090018	LETWINCH CONSTRUCTION			
	ISSUED	Permit Name SW CORNER CF	HANSLOR WAY & ALAMEDA			
80 Permits Issued	from 2/1/2007Thru 2	2/28/2007	Total Valuation:	 \$1,	578,909.00	
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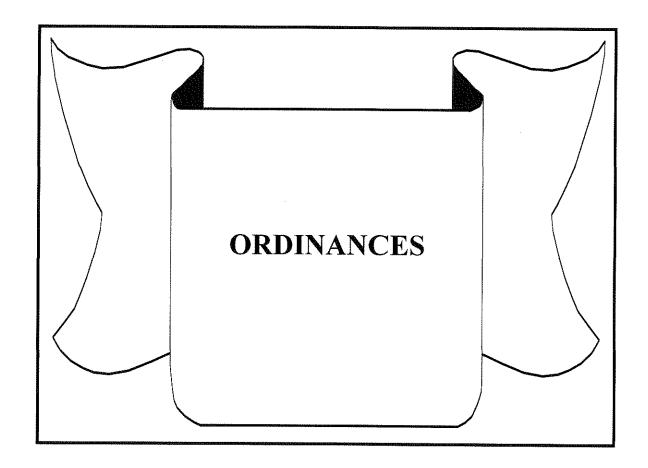
Total Fees:

\$123,154.88

Total Fees Paid:

\$39,582.56





BLYTHE CITY COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Robert Whitney, Chief of Police

DATE: March 13, 2007

SUBECT: Ordinance 820-07 amending section 10.04.250 of the Blythe Municipal Code

BACKGROUND

In the year 2000, the California Vehicle Code was amended by AB2767 to specify mandatory elements in the engineering and traffic survey required for establishing a speed limit on local streets and highways. Prevailing speeds and collision records are the top two considerations when determining the recommended speed limit in any area. There is a direct relationship between speed and collisions, and the severity thereof.

The Blythe Police Department and other law enforcement agencies must have a current traffic survey, summarizing these factors, on file for any area in which they wish to use radar enforcement.

The speed zone engineering and traffic survey currently on file for City streets that was performed in 2000 has expired, and does not include key annexed areas within the City limits.

In February of 2007, the Blythe Police Department contracted with Counts Unlimited to conduct a speed zone engineering and traffic survey within the City limits. Their recommendations are attached.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Council accept the recommendations of Counts Unlimited as to appropriate speed limits and amend section 10.04.250 of the Blythe Municipal Code accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief of Police

Concur

ORDINANCE NO. 820-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLYTHE AMENDING SECTION 10.04.250 OF THE BLYTHE MUNICIPAL CODE

The City Council of the City of Blythe ordains as follows:

Section 1: Section 10.04.250 of the Blythe Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Section 16. Establishment/Increasing/Decreasing of State Speed Limit in Certain Zones.

It is hereby determined upon the basis of an engineering and traffic survey that the speed permitted by state law upon the following streets is necessary for the safe operation of vehicles thereon by reason of the designation and sign posting of said streets and through highways and by reason of widely spaced intersections, and it is hereby declared that the prima facie speed limit shall be as hereinafter set forth on these streets or parts of streets herein described when signs are erected giving notice thereof:

Name of Street or Portion Affected:	Declared Prima Facie Speed Limit(MPH)
14 th Avenue from West City Limits to Broadway	35
14 th Avenue from Broadway to Seventh Street	35
14 th Avenue from Seventh Street to Cottonwood Lane	40
14 th Avenue from Cottonwood Lane to Intake Blvd	40
Barnard St. from Lovekin Blvd to Tesoro	30
Broadway from South City Limits to Hobsonway	40
Broadway from Hobsonway to Juniper Trail	35
Broadway from Juniper Trail to 10 th Avenue	40
Chanslorway from West City Limits to Lovekin Blvd	35
Chanslorway from Lovekin Blvd to Earle Street	35
Chanslorway from Earle Street to Intake Blvd	45
Dekema Street from Main to Seventh Street	35
Donlon Street from Main to Seventh Street	35

Eucalyptus Street from Chanslorway to Montezuma Street	30
Fifth Street from Hobsonway to Chanslorway	30
Hobsonway from Defrain Boulevard to "C" Canal	45
Hobsonway from "C" Canal to Lovekin Blvd	35
Hobsonway from Lovekin Blvd to Ninth Street	30
Hobsonway from Ninth Street to Intake Blvd	35
Lovekin Blvd from South City Limits to Hobsonway	30
Lovekin Blvd from Hobsonway to Chanslorway	35
Lovekin Blvd from Chanslorway to Seville Lane	35
Lovekin Blvd from Seville Lane to 10 th Avenue	45
Lovekin Blvd from 10 th Avenue to 8 th Avenue	55
Main Street from 14 th Avenue to Hobsonway	35
Main Street from Hobsonway to Chanslorway	35
Riviera Drive from Donlon to 100' S. of 14600	35
Seventh Street from South City Limits to Hobsonway	35
Seventh Street from Hobsonway to 11 th Avenue	35
Third Street from 14 th Avenue to Donlon	25
Wells Road from Defrain Blvd to 4 th Avenue	40

<u>SECTION 2.</u> CEQA. The passage of this ordinance is not a project nor will it have a significant impact on the environment.

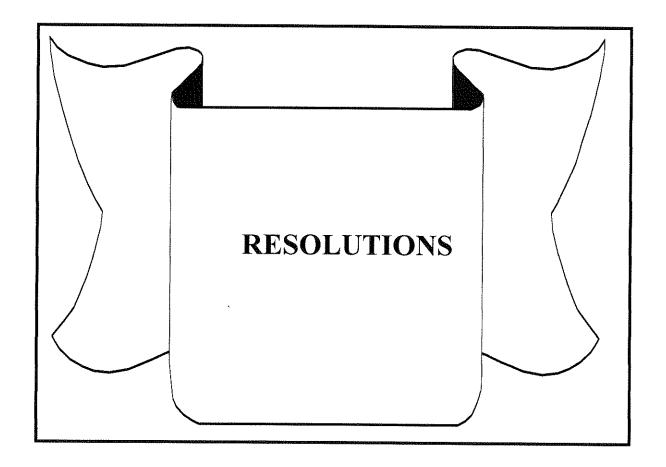
SECTION3, Savings Clause. Neither the adoption of this ordinance nor the repeal of any other ordinance of this City shall in any matter affect the prosecution for violations of the ordinances, which violations were committed prior to the effective date hereof, nor be construed as a waiver of any license or penalty or the penal provisions application to any violation thereof. The provisions of the ordinance, insofar as they are substantially the same as ordinance provisions previously adopted by the city relating to the same subject matter, shall be construed as restatements and continuations, and not as new enactments.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this Ordinance and cause the same to be published and circulated in the City of Blythe. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its final passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED following called vote, to wit:	this	day of	2007, by the
AYES: NOES: ABSENT:			
ATTEST:	Mayor	Robert A	. Crain
Virginia Rivera, City Clerk			
(SEAL)			
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
J. Scott Zundel. City Attorney			

Blythe Speed Zones and Boundary Changes As of 2-21-07

Street	From	То	Modified or No Change	Current	Speed
- ath	*** ***		in Boundaries		Limit
14 th Ave.	W. City Limits	Broadway	Modified	45	35
14 th Ave.	Broadway	Seventh Street	Modified	35	35
14 th Ave.	Seventh Street	Cottonwood Lane	No change	40	40
14 th Ave.	Cottonwood Lane	Intake Blvd.	No change	40	40
Barnard Street	Lovekin Blvd.	Tesoro	Modified	30	30
Broadway	S. City Limits	Hobsonway	Modified	35	40
Broadway	Hobsonway	Juniper Trail	Modified	35	35
Broadway	Juniper Trail	10 th Avenue	Modified	40	40
Chanslorway	W. City Limits	Lovekin Blvd.	No change	35	35
Chanslorway	Lovekin Blvd.	Earle Street	Modified	35	35
Chanslorway	Earle Street	Intake Blvd.	Modified	45	45
Dekema Street	Main Street	Seventh Street	Modified	35	35
Donlon Street	Main street	Seventh Street	Modified	35	35
Eucalyptus Avenue	Chanslorway	Montezuma Street	Modified	30	30
Fifth Street	Hobsonway	Chanslorway	Modified	30	30
Hobsonway (EB only)	Defrain Blvd.	"C" Canal	No change	45	45
Hobsonway	"C" Canal	Lovekin Blvd.	No change	35	35
Hobsonway	Lovekin Blvd.	Ninth Street	No change	30	30
Hobsonway	Ninth Street	Intake Blvd.	No change	40	35
Lovekin Blvd.	S. City Limits	Hobsonway	Modified	30	30
Lovekin Blvd.	Hobsonway	Chanslorway	No change	35	35
Lovekin Blvd.	Chanslorway	Seville Lane	No change	40	35
Lovekin Blvd.	Seville Lane	10 th Avenue	Modified	45	45
Lovekin Blvd.	10 th Avenue	8 th Avenue	New	45	55
Main Street	14 th Avenue	Hobsonway	Modified	35	35
Main Street	Hobsonway	Chanslorway	Modified	35	35
Riviera Drive	Donion Street	100° S. of 14600	New	25	35
Seventh Street	S. City Limits	Hobsonway	Modified	35	35
Seventh Street	Hobsonway	11 th Avenue	Modified	35	35
Third Street	14 th Avenue	Donlon Street	Changed to Statutory	30	25
Wells Road	Defrain Blvd.	4 th Avenue	Modified	35	40
REPORTS ON					
ZONES COMBINED					***************************************
Street	From	То	Combined With Other	Posted	85th
Lovekin Blvd.	S. City Limits	14 th Avenue	Combined	45	47
Main Street	Donlon Street	Barnard Street	Combined	30	33
Seventh Street	S. City Limits	14 th Avenue	Combined	45	40
Seventh Street	Chanslorway	N. City Limits	Combined	45	40
Wells Road	Defrain Blvd.	Dekens Ct.	Combined	55	50



BLYTHE CITY COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Patti Whitney, Personnel Manager

DATE:

March 13, 2007

SUBJECT:

Resolution No. 07-697 Fixing the Employer's Contribution Under the

Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Government Code Section 22825.6, local agencies contracting under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act shall fix the amount of the employer's contribution toward the employees' medical coverage. Currently, the City contributes an amount of \$695 per month for employee medical benefits.

Government Code Section 22857 provides that a contracting agency may fix the amount of the employer's contribution for employees and the employer's contribution for annuitants at different amounts provided that the monthly contribution for annuitants increases annually by an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the monthly contribution for employees. This contribution will continue to increase annually until said amounts are equal. Currently the City contributes \$314.90 per month toward medical benefits for annuitants. With the adoption of this Resolution, this amount will continue to increase at the annual rate of \$34.75 until it has reached the amount paid for current employees (\$695).

Upon adoption of this Resolution, a copy is required to be filed with the Public Employees' Retirement System.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council adopt Resolution No. 07-697, fixing the City's employer contribution for employee health benefits at \$695 per month with the annual increase for annuitants at 5% of this amount, until such amounts are equal.

Respectfully submitted,

CONCUR:

Patti Whitney

Personnel Manager

Les Nelson, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 07-697

A RESOLUTION FIXING THE EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTION UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT

WHEREAS, (1) Government Code Section 22825.6 provides that a local agency contracting under the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act shall fix the amount of the employer's contribution at an amount not less than the amount required under Section 22825 of the Act; and

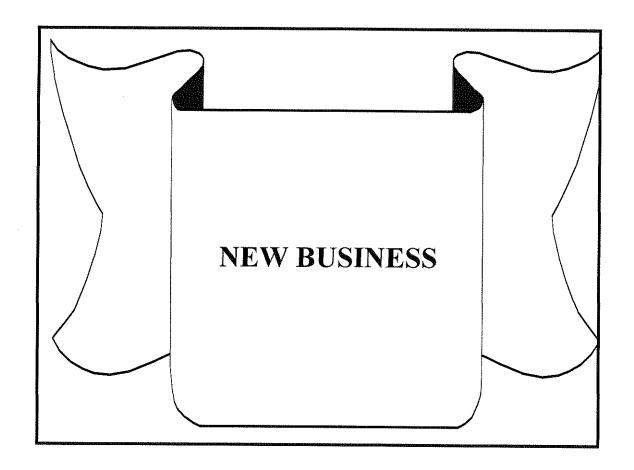
WHEREAS, (2) Government Code Section 22857 provides that a contracting agency may fix the amount of the employer's contribution for employees and the employer's contribution for annuitants at different amounts provided that the monthly contribution for annuitants shall be annually increased by an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the monthly contribution for employees, until such time as the amounts are equal; and

WHEREAS, (3) The City of Blythe, hereinafter referred to as Public Agency is a local agency contracting under the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, (a) That the employer's contribution for each employee shall be the amount necessary to pay the full cost of his/her enrollment, including the enrollment of his/her family members in a health benefits plan up to a maximum of \$695 per month.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Blythe City Council at Blythe, California this 13th day of March 2007.

Robert A. Crain, Mayor



City Council

TO:

Mayor and City Council

RDA Board of Directors

DATE:

March 13, 2007

SUBJECT:

Request for Authorization to Negotiate for Preparation of Quechan Marina Master Plan

Background: On January 22, 2007, the City of Blythe issued a Request for Qualifications for preparation of a Master Plan for the Quechan Marina. Staff received four qualified responses from the following:

- Project Design Consultants
- USR
- Harvey Meyerhof Consulting Group
- Hogle-Ireland, Inc.

Evaluation by Staff: Assistant City Manager Hull and Planning Director Wellman evaluated the four submittals and numerically ranked them. The results of the evaluation sheets indicate that although all firms are deemed qualified and responsive, two of the four clearly had 1) a better understanding of the project; and 2) a better understanding of the needs of the City and community as they relate to Quechan Marina. Those firms were USR and Harvey Meyerhof Consulting Group (HMCG).

Subsequent to staff's evaluation and selection, a request was made of each of the two above referenced firms for submittal of a not to exceed cost estimate for 1) preparation of the Master Plan; and 2) preparation of an appropriate environmental document. A breakdown of those cost estimates follows:

Firm	Master Plan	Reimbursable	CEQA Compliance	Reimbursable	Total w/o Reimbursable
USR	\$169,250	\$14,000	\$30,500	\$2,500	\$199,750
HMCG	\$145,000	"cost"	25,000	"cost"	\$170,000

Staff Request/Recommendation: It is recommended the City Council authorize staff to negotiate with USR and HMCG in an effort to reduce the overall project costs through "value engineering" and possible staff level assistance/participation. Subsequent to those discussions, staff will bring a recommendation back to Council for possible action on the Quechan Marina Master Plan project.

Respectfully Submitted:

Concurrence:

Melson

Charles Hull

Assistant City Manager

Les Nelson

City Manager

BLYTHE CITY COUNCIL

TO:

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

A.C.M. - C. HUL

DATE:

MARCH 13, 2007

SUBJECT:

DESERT STORM (OFF ROAD) RALLY

BACKGROUND:

Staff has worked with the promoters of this event recently to take advantage of local amenities both inside and outside the city in order for them to have a successful off road rally. The organizational activities prior to and after the actual races will be held in the City. The rally (race) will be held in Arizona. While future plans include racing in California and national status, this is the fourth event for this group in the Blythe area and apparently each year has been more and more successful. This year's event is scheduled for March 23 - 24, 2007.

The ground work is done. City staff has supported coordination of staging, starting, routes through town to the desert and Community Center rental. Law enforcement and Public Works input was included in arranging those plans.

Denise and Pat McMahon who organized this event have asked that local dignitaries be available to help "start" the (25 or so) cars on Friday and Saturday mornings and then say a few kind words at the awards ceremony in the Community Center on Saturday night. Staff is looking to Council for members who might be available to assist in the official representation requested here.

For invited guests there is an opportunity to "ride along" in a rally car at the Tom Wells exit, south side of I-10 for a few miles out and back on Thursday morning. Staff will report back the exact time of this event.

RECOMMENDATION:

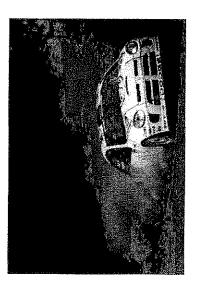
Poll the Blythe City Council for delegates willing to "officiate" at this event. In addition list those Council members who might be interested in a half-speed rally car ride.

Concurrence by City Manager: Ou Welson

WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT

Desert Storm Rally is a planned stage rally competition on the Yuma Proving Grounds and surrounding area in March 23-24, 2007.

Teams will compete over an approximately 140-mile course consisting of **transits** (open roads) and **special stages** (closed roads) during the length of the competition day. A tally team consists of a **driver** and a **codriver**. The course used for the rally includes transits and special stages defined by a set of instructions referred to as a **route book**.



Competitors set off on the competition in one or two minute intervals, which must be maintained over the course of the competition. The co-driver navigates the stage for the driver using an onboard computer. The co-driver calls out the instructions in the route book which

define the direction of the road and any possible hazards such as rough areas in the road.

Travel across transits to get to the special stages is at or below the posted speed limit. Furthermore, since public roads and highways are used for transits, all competition cars must be licensed for street use and meet basic insurance requirements. Travel on the special stages is at speed over the closed course or stage. Each car is individually timed on the special stages.

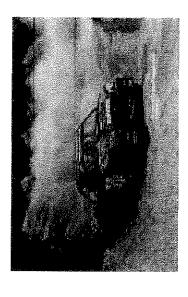
THE RALLY ROUTE

The transit stages will take competitors from the ceremonial start at Todd Park-Blythe, Ca to the special stages on the Yuma Proving Grounds and La Paz County, Az. The special stages in the desert will be in varying directions over the course of the day, for a total of about 60 timed competition miles on Friday-March 23, 2007 and 80 timed competition miles on Saturday-March 24th, 2007 with a spectator stage set-up on Hope to Hovatter Rd, Exit 53-north.

The event website (www.descrtrally.com) will direct you where the activities will be during the event.

Also we have a VIP/Media Stage on Thursday, March 22nd, 2007. If you come on as a sponsor that you can get a ride in a rally car at a slower speed to get a feel of what it is like in a street legal high performance rally car. Contact the

organizers if you become a sponsor and would like a ride!



BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY

This event will bring in teams from throughout the Western US to compete, with accompanying service crews and supporters, bringing outside dollars into the local economy from the provision of lodging and services.

Additionally, the event will provide local businesses the opportunity to showcase their special event, entertain clients, and promote the city of Blythe area.

It's a win-win situation for everyone involved!

HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are many ways that you can help:

As a business owner, please contact us to help be an event sponsor. For \$200.00's you can have your business put on the event shirt and on the event website from season to season to have your business website link as an advertisement for people to know when in Blythe to go to your establishment.

Your sponsorship contributions, either monetary or in-kind services, help defray the organizational costs of the event. This will also allow you to showcase your business as a name sponsor on all event materials, on the cars themselves, and/or during a special event arranged just for you.

If you are interested; please contact us at desertstormrally@gmail.com.

As a **local official**, please contact the City of Blythe to let them know that this will be of benefit to bring more dollars to the city economy.

As an **individual**, you can **volunteer** to help run the event serving as a course marshal, checkpoint worker, ham radio operator, EMT, or in a myriad of other positions that allow the event to run smoothly and on-time. We always need volunteers to help out locally.

Go on the event website-www.desertstormally.com and click on the volunteers tab and register. We love to have your support.

THE FUTURE

The Blythe, Ca area has strong ties to the tourism industry, and this event is a natural fit for the community.

It is the organizers' intent to establish the Desert Storm Rally as an annual special event on the Blythe event calendar, continuing to benefit to the community from year to year, and watching the event

The event is slated for inclusion in the Rally America Regional Southwestern Series, a series of six rallies throughout the Southwest for 2007. Additionally, it is being a point's event in the Southwest RallyCup series, Western States Rally Championship and the California Rally Series, which consist of similar numbers of premier events ranging from Arizona to California, Oregon, Washington, Colorado and Nevada.

Please join us as we build this event into a City of Blythe tradition!

WHO TO CONTACT

If you have any questions, or need further information, please contact

Denise and Pat McMahon Organizers Desert Storm Rally ((562) 860-9861 desertstormrally@gmail.com

OR IB Niday Series Director Rally America (763) 553-2742 jbniday@rally-america.com

THE 4TH ANNUAL

DESERT STORM RALLY

MARCH 23-24, 2007

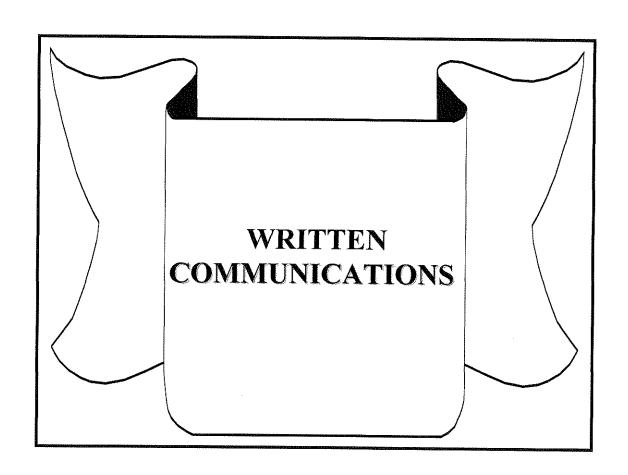
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SANCTIONED BY:





TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

City Manager

SUBJECT:

Request for Community Center Donation of Fees

DATE:

March 13, 2007

BACKGROUND

Attached is a request from The Potter's House asking Council to donate the fees associated with their using the Community Center March 18 and 19, 2007.

The Council's policy says applicants are eligible for "donation" consideration one time per quarter, not one time covering multiple days.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council:

- 1.) Donate the \$170 rental fee for March 18th.
- 2.) Donate the labor charge (\$224) for March 18th.
- 3.) Require the refundable Cleaning Deposit of \$125, that will cover both March 18th and March 19th.
- 4.) Require the full \$170 rental for March 19th.
- 5.) Require the full labor charge (\$224) for March 19th.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Nelson

City Manager

Attachment

The Potter's House

Christian Fellowship Church 185 S. Third Street Blythe Ca, 92225

March 1, 2007

To whom it may Concern:

We the Potter's House Church are a non-profit organization and we will be renting the Community Center on March 18 and 19th and we are asking the City Council to consider exempting us from the fees that are being charged for the usage of the facility.

Thank you,

Roberto Aguilar

Pastor

COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL FEE COMPUTATION

APPLICATION NAME: Roberto Aquilian	
DATE REQUIRED: <u>March</u> 18 2007	
DATE SUBMITTED:	
AUDITORIUM	
1st Hour @ \$75.00	75.00
Each Additional Hour @ \$25.00 x Hours3	75.00
Cleaning/Damage Deposit	125.00
Total Auditorium	275.00
LABOR – Custodian Services:	224.00
KITCHEN Total Kitchen \$45.00	
EARLY ACCESS	
Min. \$20.00 + 10.00 hr. above 2 hrs.	20.00
Total:	519. ®
Reservation Deposit (00025363011) Date of Deposit:	(50.00)
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COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL FEE COMPUTATION

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Cleaning/Damage Deposit	125.00
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RIVERSIDE COUNTY GRAND JURY

(951) 955-8990 OFFICE • (951) 955-8989 FAX

February 28, 2007

City of Blythe Attn: City Clerk 235 N. Broadway Blythe, CA 92225

Re: Recruitment of Candidates for the 2007-08 Riverside County Grand Jury.

Dear City Clerk:

Please take a moment to assist the court in securing well-qualified candidates for the 2007/2008 Riverside County Grand Jury. Our objective is to have at least six candidates from each County Supervisorial District. Likewise, we need broad representation of all cognizable groups within the county.

Details of the selection schedule and requirements are attached. Most important, please provide a copy of the application and information to persons or organizations for broad exposure. Grand Jury members must be able to:

- Serve for one full year with only a two-week vacation.
- Work with others toward group decisions and consensus.
- Have good verbal and written communication skills.
- Set aside any preconceived bias or personal agendas.

Your assistance in recruiting well-qualified candidates is important.

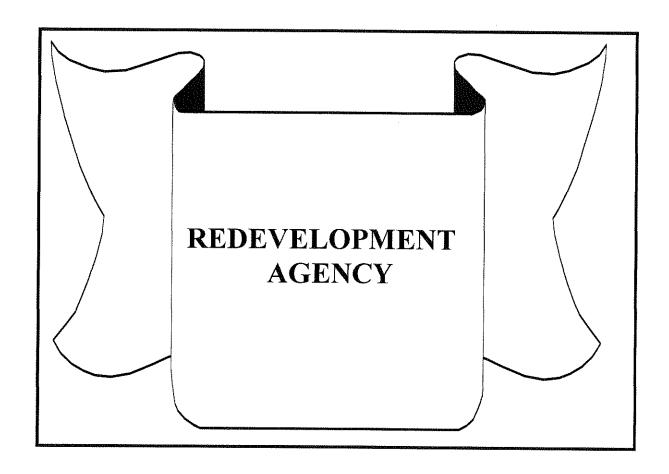
Please direct questions to Gail Soursais, Grand Jury Secretary, at (951) 955-8990. Additional information regarding the Riverside County Grand Jury may be obtained on our website at www.courts.co.riverside.ca.us.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Riverside County Grand Jury

Enclosures



MINUTES BLYTHE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FEBRUARY 13, 2007

The February 13, 2007 regular meeting of the Blythe Redevelopment Agency was called to order by Chairman Crain in the Council Chambers. Also in attendance were Vice Chairman Grotke, Board Members Hernandez, DeConinck and Mays. Staff in attendance included Executive Director Nelson and other Agency staff members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Board Member Hernandez moved for the approval of the December 12, 2006 Minutes. Seconded by Board Member Mays. Unanimous Aye vote.

REQUEST FOR RDA, Matching Funds, USDA Rural Development Housing Preservation Grant. Planning Director Wellman reported that in 2003, the Agency contributed \$20,000 as matching funds to an application for USDA Rural Development Housing Preservation funding submitted by Desert Alliance for Community Empowerment (DACE). In 2006, DACE received the USDA Housing Preservation Grant and is requesting that the Blythe RDA again match the federal grant with a contribution of \$20,000. It is anticipated that DACE will submit an application to the USDA for 2007 funding and as such, staff is requesting that RDA Board of Directors conceptually approve 2007 funding, in anticipation of a forthcoming request from DACE, conditioned upon approval by the USDA of the Housing Preservation Grant Application for the 2007 calendar year. Findings: A.) all rehabilitation and preservation projects would occur within either City of Blythe or in a Blythe Redevelopment Area. B.) Rehabilitation and preservation of existing low-and moderate-income housing units will contribute to the elimination and prevention of blighted conditions. C.) Rehabilitation and preservation of existing low-and moderate-income housing is consistent with the purposes for which set aside funds are intended to be used. D.) The rehabilitation and preservation of existing lowand moderate-income housing units will neither cause a direct physical change in the environment and is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Class 1 (Operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities not expanding existing uses) Section 1530l. E.) That a Notice of Exemption with the California Environmental Quality Act, was prepared for the project. Terry Archer, DACE is in the audience to answer questions. No public comment.

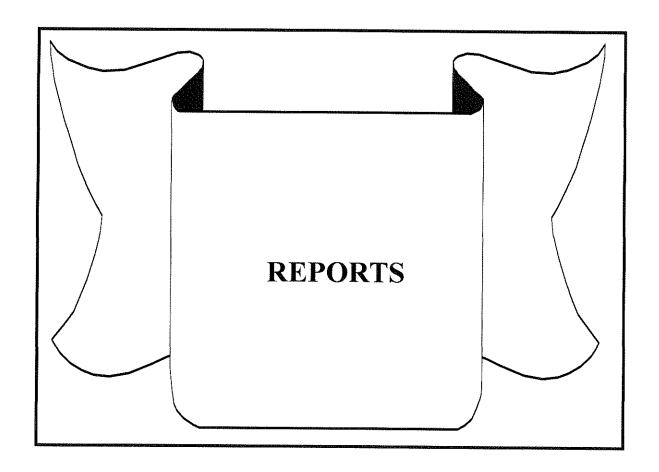
Vice Chairman Grotke moved for the adoption of Resolution No. RA07-119 and Resolution No. RA07-120. Seconded by Board Member Hernandez. Unanimous Aye vote. RESOLUTION NO. RA 07-119. A RESOLUTION OF THE BLYTHE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$20,000 FROM THE LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME SET ASIDE FUND AS A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE 2006 USDA HOUSING PRESERVATION GRANT APPLICATION FILED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DESERT ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

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ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:	Robert Crain, Chairman
Virginia Rivera, Secretary	



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 13, 2007 CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. As reported in the State of the City Address, the owners of Blythe Energy No. 1 have just concluded negotiations with Southern California Edison (SCE) on a 10 year power purchase deal selling SCE 500 MWs that must be delivered by August 2010. Supposedly the deal includes an option for a 10 year extension. The owners of Blythe Energy No. 1, Florida Power and Light (FPL) Corporation, per the deal terms must construct 67 miles of transmission line (with heavy late fees) before the power can be delivered. For Blythe the relevance of the deal relates to how the State factors revenue into the plant's assessed valuation.

As it relates to Blythe Energy No. 2, SCE was suppose to award contracts pursuant to their call for 1,500 MWs of new power in February/March 2007. Blythe Energy No. 2 is on the short list for consideration, but the SCE contract awards have been pushed back until early 2008. What it means is that the fate of Blythe Energy No. 2 will likely not be known until early 2008.

- 2. The representative from Gladstein, Neandross & Associates LLC (GNA), Mr. Bob Coale, toured the Blythe area on Wednesday, February 28th, with City staff looking at potential site options for the proposed CNG fueling station. According to staff, Mr. Coale's preferred site is the RV dump station at Miller Park. Regarding the dump station, it is being relocated to the City's Waste Water Treatment Plant. The project's preliminary engineering work is done, three 10,000 gallon septic tanks have been ordered, and staff is working on the pay gate. Both projects have end of the calendar year timelines. Staff will try to accelerate the dump station relocation as much as possible, but there is concern at this early juncture about sequencing both projects, especially at the Miller Park site.
- 3. Miscellaneous . . . at the Community Outlook Conference, the official count at lunch was 282, the most confirmed participants anyone can remember . . . the Gateway Pocket Park sign has been ordered and delivery will take between four to eight weeks . . . it is reported that the Palo Verde High School pool will be permanently shut-down almost immediately, leaving the City without a pool adequate to handle its summer swim programs . . . City submitted a Federal Appropriation Request through Congresswoman Bono's office for \$500,000 for Water System Improvements in the East Blythe area . . . Granite Construction is schedule to resume its grind and overlay of South Lovekin Blvd. and Chanslorway the week of April 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

Velson

Les Nelson City Manager

